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## Home Economics Vocational Education

By MARCIA E. TURNER

Assoc. Professor of Home Economics.

THIS is merely the new name for the Teacher Training Department, where you came as a senior to do your student teaching. Remember how you waited 20 minutes in an icy wind to be sure of catching the next car down to Central School in time to meet your class? Times have changed partly, tho street car service remains the same! Nowadays, however, a girl may ride luxuriously in the Ford car of her supervisor, out to one of the consolidated schools to do her teaching. Long since, the Ames schools have not furnished enough laboratory space for the department and one after another there have been added the schools of Kelly, Huxley, Jordan and Gilbert.

Another change has been in making the teaching period a straight six weeks or half a quarter, with five days a week—the other half spent in a home management house.

There are now ten members of the department and last year 128 girls did student teaching. Miss Cora E. Miller remains head of the department. Miss

Genevieve Fisher, whom she succeeded in 1919, is professor of education in Margaret Morrison College, Carnegie Institute. Miss Grace Schermerhorn, the first head of the department, perhaps you know, passed on last summer. She had been for several years with the American Child Health Association in New York. Miss Wyllie B. McNeal, under whom many of you did your student teaching, is now chief of the Division of Home Economics at the University of Minnesota. She keeps up a neighborly spirit by coming down occasionally to assist with vocational conferences. Miss Rosamond C. Cook, who left the department in 1923, has won fame in a number of ways. She is the author of two text books on clothing and a contributor to various technical and professional journals. She is at present doing advanced work in Teachers College, Columbia University. Last winter she confesses to having experienced the amazement of her life when out of a clear sky she received a prize of \$1,000 from a Fifth Ave. women's wear shop for an essay on "What Wo-

men Desire in Dress." Miss Florence Blazier, who left us for Indiana University, went to Oregon Agricultural College last year to become head of the Teacher Training Department.

If you have been doing a pretty good piece of work teaching Home Economics and you feel it is about time to take another step up the hill, perhaps you will be interested in some of the new graduate courses which have been especially planned to prepare such people as yourself for city or state supervision or for teacher training in college and normal schools. Miss Regina J. Friant, formerly state supervisor of Missouri, is in charge of graduate work.

Our part of the new building is an appropriately equipped public school laboratory, where at certain hours of the day classes from the Ames schools will be at work. Students in methods of teaching will observe these classes from an adjoining class room opening into the laboratory through accordion doors. Moreover, the tables will be turned, for in this instance a supervisor will do the teaching.

## The Department of Hygiene

By GRACE MAGEE

Asst. Professor of Home Economics.

DO YOU know about the changes that have been made in our hospital recently? You'd scarcely recognize any part of it. The old fort-like structure of dark red has had additions fore and aft until it is nearly hidden and is used only in case of contagion as an emergency hospital.

The new east wing added last summer has light, sunny rooms, and large solariums on the south, fitted out with wicker furniture and baskets of fern. The girls who are not too ill gather here to visit with each other and absorb the sunshine and the fresh lake breeze. On the west there are huge sleeping porches where half a dozen boys enjoy poor health together.

The new wing allows a separate waiting room and dispensary for boys and the old one is kept for girls. Dr. Jongewaard, better known as Dr. Jean, has her office near at hand. She

has taken Dr. Sheldon's work. Did you know, by the way, that Dr. Sheldon is married and is living in Nebraska? She is keeping house, attending club and church affairs, and has become very round, pretty and domesticated.

Miss Crowston still oversees the hospital and all its workings. She is especially proud of the new nursery and the potential college students and professors there.

Next door to Miss Crowston's office is Dr. Williamson, the dentist who has been added to our force this year. The other doctors have offices in the east end of the new wing. The new equipment for physiotherapy, which Dr. Edwards delights to show our visitors, is here too.

Of special interest to graduates will be the new technician with her lab. and basal metabolism equipment, and the dietitian who spends half time in

the hospital and is also a member of the Home Economics staff. A feature of the dietary department is a separate dining room for special diet cases, faculty and students who are doing ordinary work, but who need supervised food.

You will see that we are very proud of our hospital. We hope you will visit it and become acquainted with its equipment and with the group of people who, under Dr. Edwards' direction, are making a strong effort to maintain physical and mental health on our

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